

# SOA WORKSHOP REPORT

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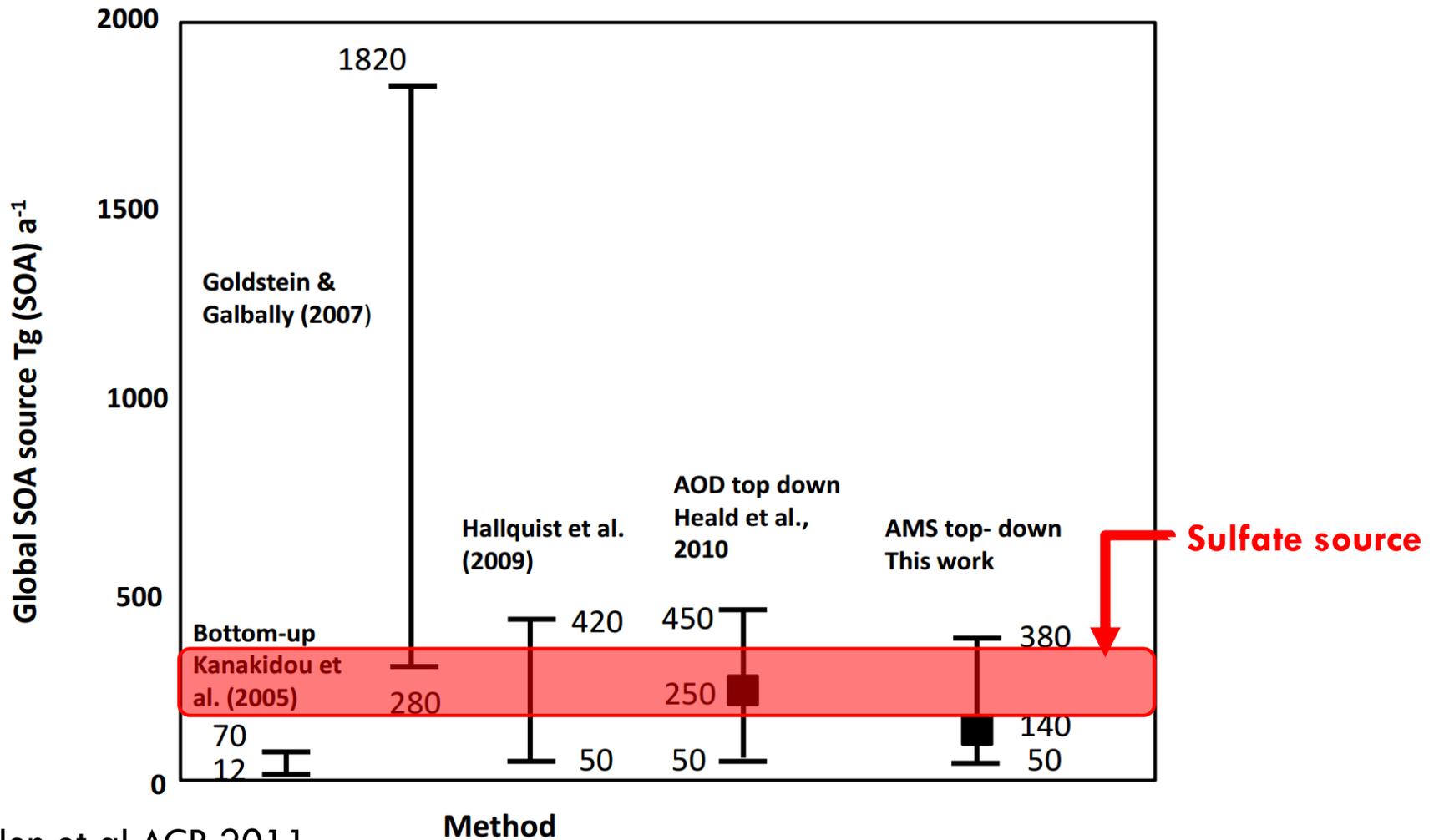
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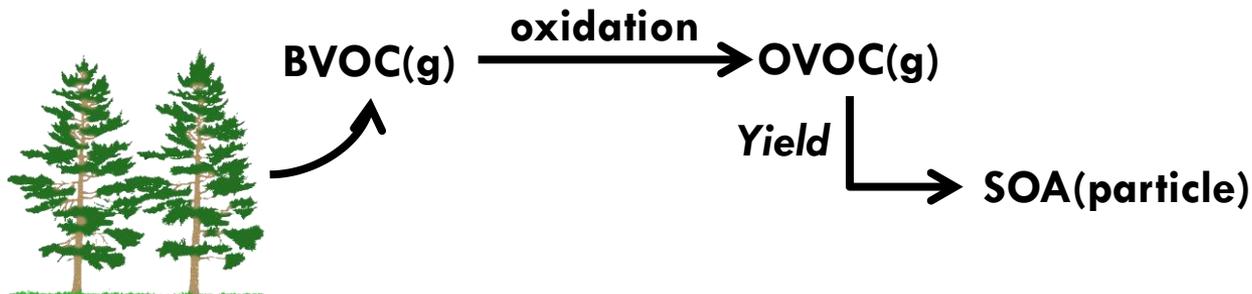
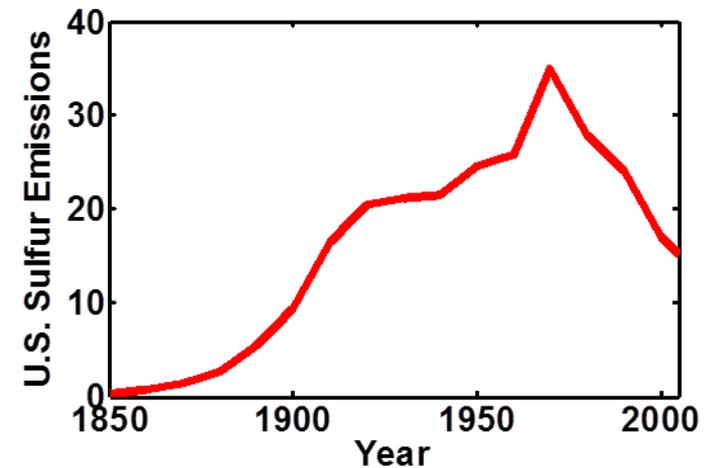
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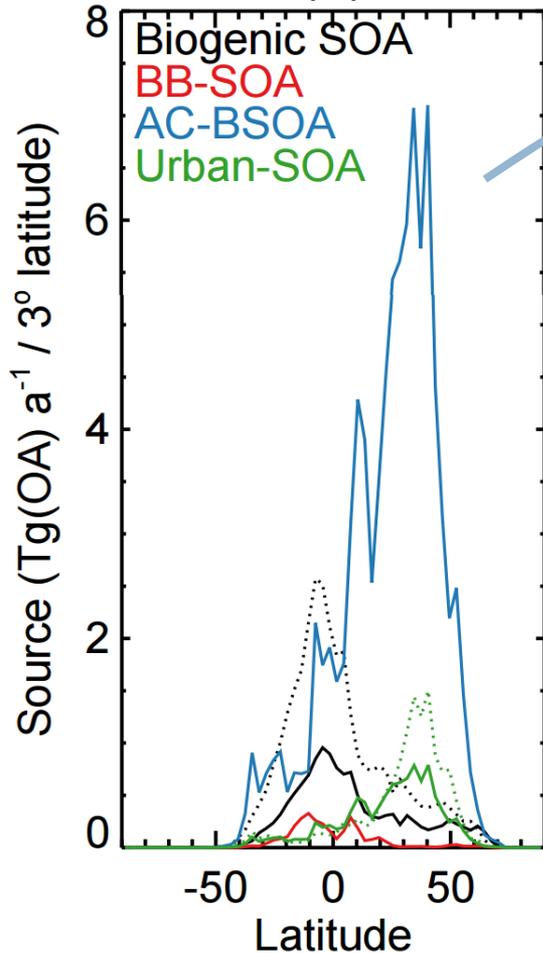
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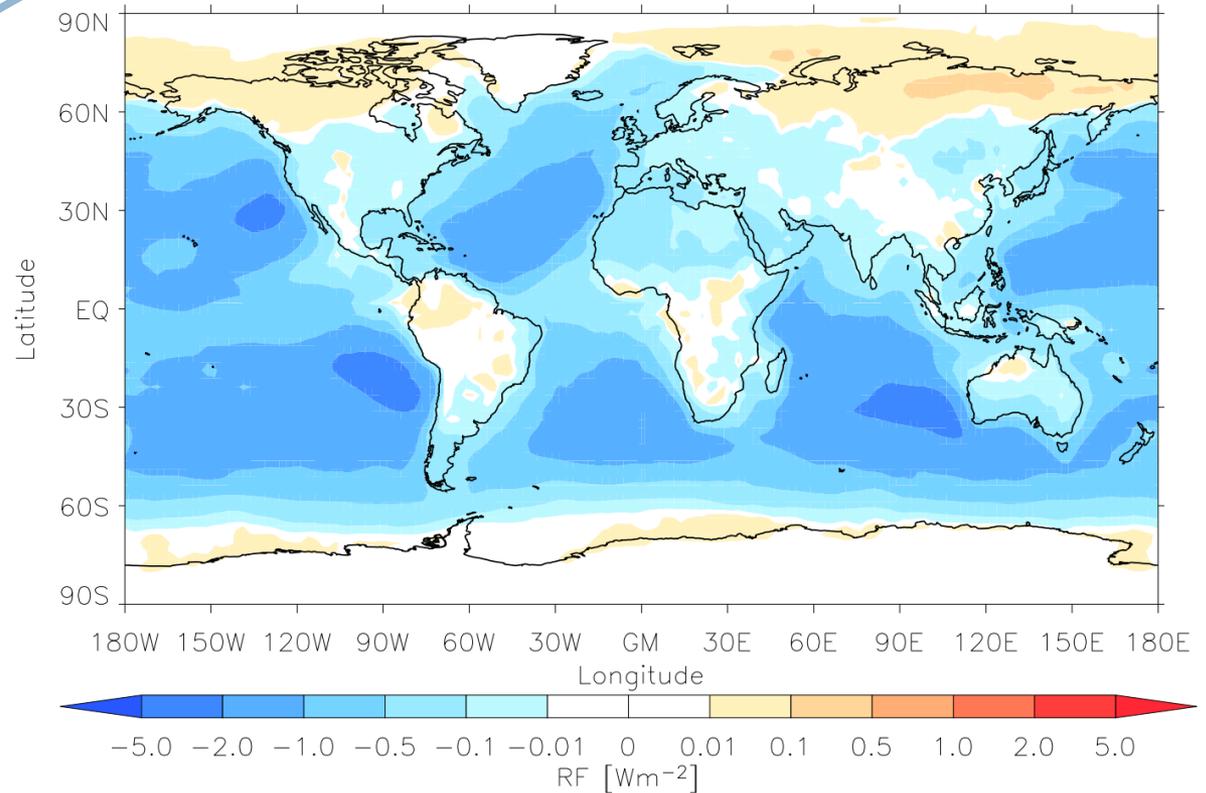
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**ACRF ~ - 0.6 W/m<sup>2</sup>**

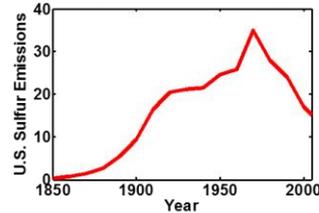
Yearly avg Net RF (Std anthropogenic SOA - Baseline). Mean = -0.603 Wm<sup>-2</sup>



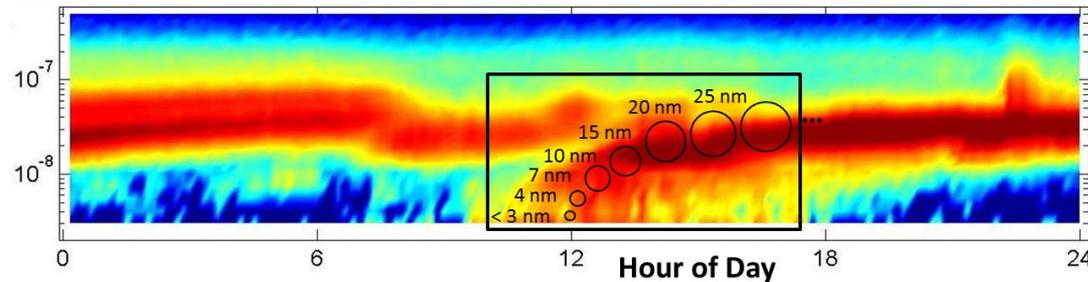
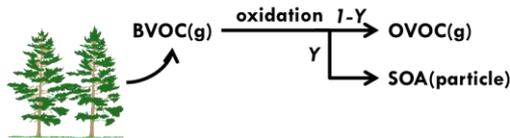
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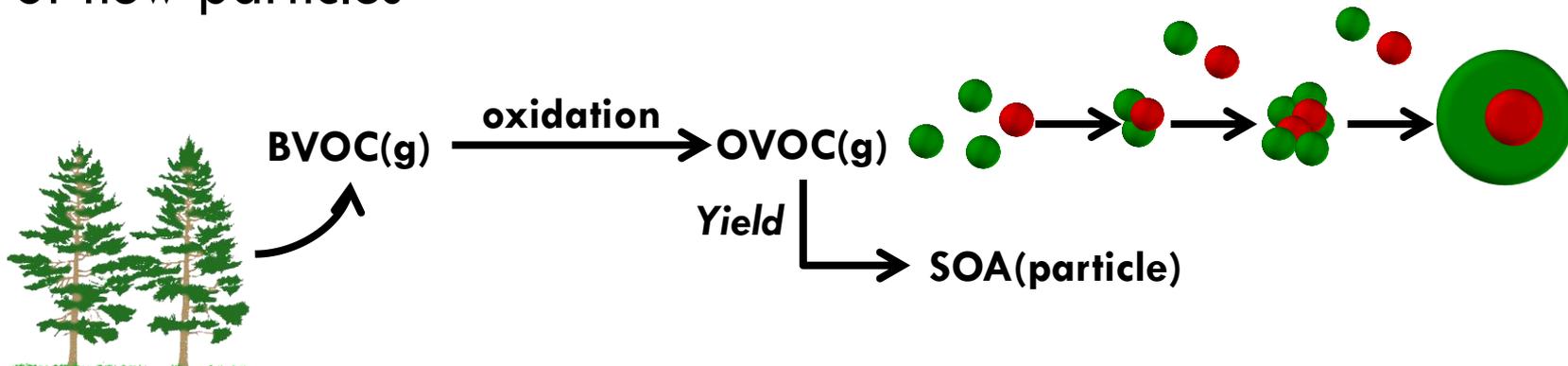
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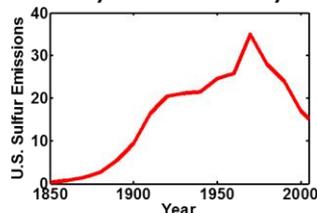
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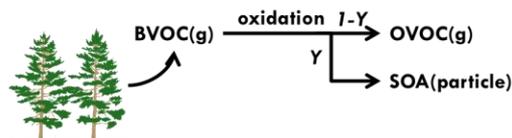
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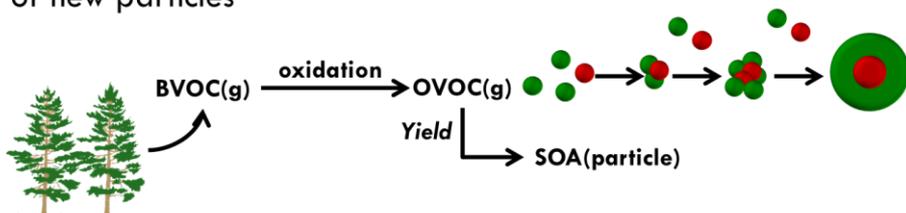
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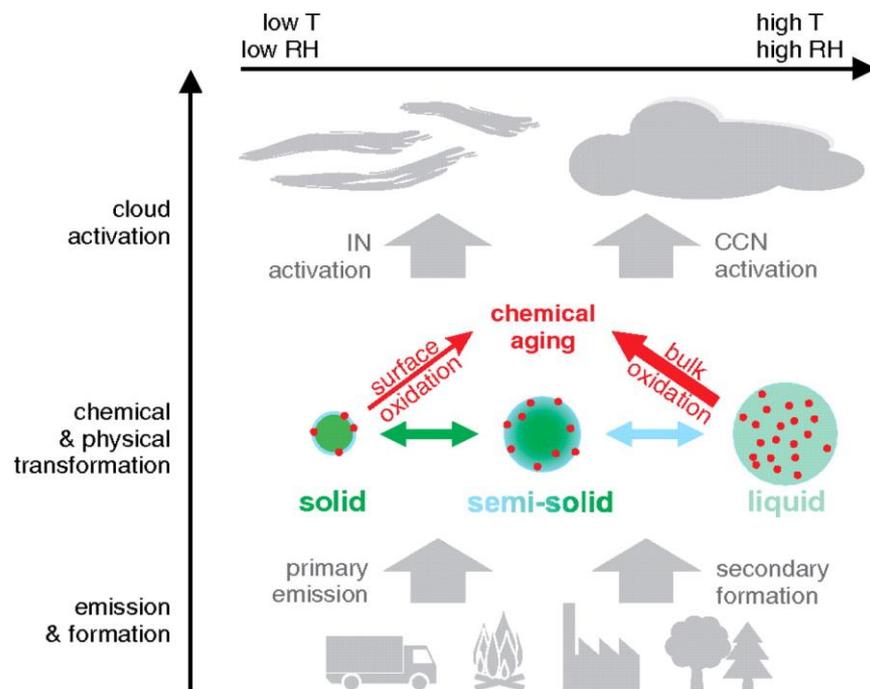
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- What is the phase state of SOA?



# Enhanced SOA formation from mixed anthropogenic and biogenic

## Phase of atmospheric secondary organic material affects its reactivity

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# LETTER

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## A large source of low-volatility secondary organic aerosol

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# SOA Workshop to Advance Model Capability

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## New Strategies for Addressing Anthropogenic-Biogenic Interactions of SOA in Climate Models

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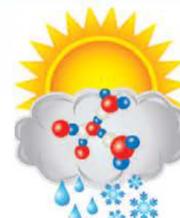
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# Workshop Goals

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- What are some of the most significant recent advances in our understanding of SOA sources and properties?
- What aspects of these advances are known well enough to be incorporated into regional or global models?
- What aspects require more understanding before being incorporated?
- What are the technical challenges to incorporating such advances into models?

# Workshop Outcomes - Report

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- A set of SOA processes or properties now understood at a mechanistic or quantitative level allowing for sensitivity studies in earth system models
  - Acid catalyzed SOA formation from isoprene epoxydiol
  - Reactions producing low and extremely low organic vapors from autoxidation chemistry
  - SOA hygroscopic behavior (sub and supersaturated regimes)
  - Diffusion limitations due to RH-dependent viscosity
  - Aging of biomass burning
  - Others...

# Workshop Outcomes - Report

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- A set of recommendations for future basic research needs and technical requirements for improving representation of SOA in earth system models
  - ▣ Reduce uncertainty in epoxydiol kinetic parameters
  - ▣ Improve quantitative estimates of LVOC and ELVOC yields for different precursors
  - ▣ Role of walls in laboratory determined SOA yields
  - ▣ Quantify importance and identify key mechanisms of particle-phase accretion chemistry
  - ▣ Improved understanding of SOA viscosity dependence upon precursor and formation conditions
  - ▣ Others...

# Workshop Outcomes – Beyond the Report

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- A discussion of the report within the broader ASR community during breakout sessions
- A manuscript based on the report and subsequent discussions submitted to *Reviews of Geophysics*

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- A continuing discussion about leveraging unique opportunities in ASR to combine process level understanding w/modeling capabilities

